REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Date of entry in Register:	16 October 1998
Name of applicant/court:	Secretary for Internal Affairs
Applicant to the Labelling Body:	Not Applicable
Title of Publication:	Hunger nach Liebe Tiel I
Other Known Titles:	Hungry for Love
Director:	Harry S. Morgan
Producer:	Not Stated
Publisher:	Not Applicable
Author:	Not Applicable
Format:	Video Recording VHS/PAL
Country of Origin:	Germany
Language:	German

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Components of film originally examined:

Feature:	Hunger nach Liebe Tiel I	Running time:	79.20
Trailers:	Copyright Warning Notice	Running time:	0.10
	Caballero Control Corporation Home Video Notice		0.09
	Safe Sex Notice		0.43
	Blank Screen		0.05
	SVK Copy Notice		0.08
	Güfa Notice		0.22
		Total Running time:	80.57

Excision/Alteration: Yes.

Reason(s) for Excision:

Four excisions are required which depict male and female actors urinating onto one another within a sexual context. By presenting the use of urine in a positive sexual context that is designed to both sexually arouse the viewer, the publication promotes and supports the use of urine in association with sexual conduct.

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Approved components of film after excision:

Feature:	Hunger nach Liebe Tiel I	Running time:	76.09
Trailers:	Copyright Warning Notice	Running time:	0.10
	Caballero Control Corporation Home Video Notice		0.09
	Safe Sex Notice		0.44
	Blank Screen		0.05
	SVK Copy Notice		0.10
	Güfa Notice		0.21
	Maximum Perversum Notice		0.31

Total Amended Running time: 78.19

Classification Decision:

Objectionable except if the availability of the publication is restricted to persons who have attained the age of 18 years.

Display Conditions:

Nil.

Descriptive Note:

Contains explicit sex scenes.

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Direction to issue a label has been given on: 12 October 1998

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SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR DECISION:

The classification of the video recording entitled *Hunger nach Liebe Teil I* has been reconsidered and is altered. It is now classified as:
Objectionable except if the availability of the publication is restricted to persons who have attained 18 years.

The video recording was submitted for reconsideration of its classification under s42(3)(b) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 (FVPC Act).

The classification is dependent upon four excisions being made to the video recording. If these excisions are not made the publication will be classified as objectionable as it promotes and supports the use of urination in association with sexual conduct. The publication contains several scenes that feature the use of urine in association with

sexual conduct. Each of these scenes presents the activity in a manner that suggests that the use of urine is a legitimate and pleasurable sexual practice. The publication therefore promotes and supports the use of urine in association with sexual conduct.

The publication also contains a range of other sexually explicit activity including fellatio, cunnilingus and vaginal and anal intercourse. The Classification Office considers that the publication also extensively, and to a significant degree, degrades, dehumanises, and demeans women and represents them as being inherently inferior by presenting women as chattels for men's own sexual gratification. These images are balanced to a considerable level by the fact that the women in the feature appear to have a degree of control over the sexual activity that they are involved in and that there is some effort to present the female characters as people.

Because the publication promotes and supports the use of urine in association with sexual conduct, the video recording is deemed objectionable under s3(2) of the FVPC Act. As s3(2) is a deeming provision the FVPC Act must override the rights and freedoms outlined in s14 of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 (NZBR Act). The Classification Office considered whether making excisions would alter the classification of the video recording. The excision of scenes involving urination from the video recording would result in the publication being restricted to an adult audience because of the remaining depictions of explicit sexual activity. Such an approach is consistent with the NZBR Act.

The option of making excisions was offered to the authorised distributor. The distributor subsequently made the excisions to the satisfaction of the Classification Office.

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